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CONTAINER, PACKAGING BODY, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING CONTAINER

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1) References <u>AO-AR</u> have been cited in the International Search Report. Copies of these references are being submitted herewith only when not automatically provided by the International Searching Authority.
2) References have been cited in the corresponding Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
3) References are discussed in the specification. A copy of these references is being submitted here with.
4) Reference <u>AS</u> is additional prior art known to Applicant. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.

AQ: JP 26568/1988: A container sealing device which forms a flange on a paper container with a synthetic resin film being laminated on an inner side thereof and seals a lid made of the same synthetic resin as the laminated film of the container by jointing the lid on the flange, the device including sealing procedures of: heat-sealing the lid to the flange; forming an unjointed portion at a position corresponding to a peeling start position of the lid on an outer circumferential side of the flange; and forming an unjointed portion on an entire circumference or at a position corresponding to the peeling start position of the lid on an inner circumference side of the flange.

With the arrangement described above, the lid can be easily peeled off, and in addition, the laminated film on the inner side of the container can be prevented from being peeled off.